

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 30-A: MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES**  
**HEADING: PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (new)**

**Chapter 3: COUNTY BUDGET AND FINANCES**  
**HEADING: PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (rp)**

**§710. COUNTY CORRECTIONAL SERVICES BUDGET PROCEDURE**

**1. Proposed budget.** The county commissioners shall submit proposed itemized correctional services budgets to the board in a format and by a date to be determined by the board, but no later than 12 months before the beginning of the next biennium.

[ 2013, c. 598, §4 (AMD) . ]

**1-A. Budget growth factor.** The budget growth factor is the same as the growth limitation factor as calculated under section 706-A for the current year. Nothing in this subsection authorizes a county to exceed the tax assessment established in section 701, subsection 2-A.

[ 2013, c. 598, §5 (NEW) . ]

**2. Review of county correctional services budgets.** The board shall review, amend if necessary and approve each county correctional services budget submitted under subsection 1. The board must approve the county correctional services proposed budget if the total expenses in the proposed budget do not exceed the prior fiscal year's actual expenses or the prior fiscal year's budgeted expenses, whichever is less, plus the budget growth factor described in subsection 1-A for appropriations of any recommended sum in excess of the county share established pursuant to section 701, subsection 2-A.

[ 2013, c. 598, §6 (AMD) . ]

**3. Hearing on county commissioners' budget.** The board may hold a hearing under this subsection, except that it shall hold a hearing on a county correctional services budget when the county requests a hearing. If the board holds a hearing under this subsection, the provisions of Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 4 apply.

[ 2011, c. 374, §5 (AMD) . ]

**4. Budget adjustment process.** For a county correctional services budget submitted to the board, the board may amend or accept the proposed budget provided that the total estimated revenues, together with the amount of county tax to be levied pursuant to section 701, subsections 2-A and 2-B, equal the total estimated expenditures.

[ 2007, c. 653, Pt. A, §12 (NEW) . ]

**5. Adoption of budget.** After review of a county correctional services budget submitted to the board under subsection 2, a hearing, if necessary pursuant to subsection 3, and the adjustment process under subsection 4, the board shall adopt a final correctional services budget for the county and transmit that budget to the county commissioners.

[ 2007, c. 653, Pt. A, §12 (NEW) . ]

**6. Assessment of taxes.** The property tax assessment for county correctional services expenditures as established in section 701, subsection 2-A, and the county jail debt assessment established in section 701, subsection 2-B, approved by the board processes, are the final authorization for the assessment of county taxes. The budget must be sent to the county commissioners and the county tax must be authorized, apportioned and collected in accordance with section 706.

[ 2007, c. 653, Pt. A, §12 (NEW) .]

#### SECTION HISTORY

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